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CAPE VERDE VISITOR: King Khalid at his meeting Sunday with a Cape Verde emissary who delivered a message from his president to the Monarch.

Sadat sees peace with Israel inevitable after 'give and take'

CAIRO, Dec. 25 (Agencies) — President Anwar Sadat said Monday a peace agreement with Israel would eventually be signed—but only after a diplomatic exchange of "give and take."

But Sadat urged Israel to quit trying to "abot" the peace process and called on Arab regimes to stop giving the Jewish state fuel for intransigence and territorial expansion.

"In any event, we are determined never to permit conditions to return to the phase of no peace no war in the region," Sadat said in a taped

television interview marking his 60th birthday anniversary.

He marshaled details of the Arab-Israeli conflict, accentuating the current U.S.-sponsored peace drive and blaming radical Palestinians and Arab regimes for defying the logic of peace.

He said that conditions of war had been the norm for Israeli Prime Minister Menahem Begin's way of thinking and that the peace drive marked the start of a "horrendous struggle for that man who harbors the dream of extending Israel's territory to the River Euphrates in the east and the River Nile in the southwest."

"And I can't help wondering," Sadat exclaimed, "when we managed to push Israel into the tight corner of peace, we were surprised to see some Arab regimes trying to refuel Israel's intransigence and give it reason to procrastinate and pursue expansionist dreams."

These Arab regimes, he complained, were serving Israel's goals more than their own objectives of liberation and economic ties and open borders.

Reviewing his contacts with the Palestinian resistance movement, and the Syrian government of President Hafez Assad, Sadat said: I have tasted bitterness from the Palestinians and the Syrians."

Sadat disclosed that Assad had insisted that Carter must "pressure Israel in the same fashion that (the late U.S. President Dwight) Eisenhower did in 1956," when Washington eased invasion troops of Britain, France and Israel out of Egyptian territory.

Times change, he reasoned, and what was applicable in the 1950s cannot be observed in the 1970s."

"Peace is inevitable," Sadat insisted. "Peace is the only way out of the current dilemma."

Began meanwhile called a special cabinet session Tuesday to discuss the stalled Middle East peace talks, government officials said Monday.

Began made his decision after Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan returned from Brussels and briefed him on his talks there with Egyptian Prime Minister Mustapha Khalil and United States Secretary of State Cyrus Vance.

Dayan said on arrival that the differences between Israel and Egypt could be bridged if both sides agreed to compromise.

He said a gap still existed between the positions of the two countries. "Only if Egypt changes its position and Israel follows suit will the gap be bridged," he told reporters.

Dayan refused to say what the next step would be. Both he and Egyptian Premier Khalil would have to report first to their governments, he added.

Officials declined to give details about the Brussels meetings, and Israeli news media provided conflicting accounts of what happened.

Israel state television reported progress in resuming the peace process, which has been stalled since early this month, and the newspaper "Yediof Ahronot" said talks would start again in Washington next month.

But the newspaper "Maariv" said the gap between Israel

Carter expects early SALT, M.E. accords

PLAINS, Georgia Dec. 25 (Agencies) — President Carter Monday made a prediction of an early peace treaty in the Middle East and an arms limitation agreement with the Soviet Union.

And, he said, he expects a summit meeting with Soviet President Leonid Brezhnev soon, but not in January.

The president said he and Secretary of State Cyrus Vance are not discouraged about the differences holding up the SALT and Mideast agreements. "We've got peace on earth right now," he said, "we hope we can keep it that way."

Speaking to reporters after an early morning reunion with his family, the president said that the remaining issues of a comprehensive SALT agreement "have been narrowed considerably in the last week."

Vance returned Sunday night from three days of talks in Europe — first with Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko and then with Israel's Moshe Dayan and Egypt's Mustapha Khalil.

The president said Vance told him that negotiators for Israel and Egypt had "a good solid and constructive discussion."

And he added: "I think we will have a peace treaty for the Middle East and I think we will have a SALT agreement with the Soviets."

"It just takes time," he added. "The complexities of the issues are not easily resolved. But I still feel hopeful. And I and Secretary Vance both agree that we are not discouraged at all."

The president said that he and Vance feel the issues remaining in the SALT talks can be handled through normal diplomatic channels. "I think we have an excellent chance for a fairly early meeting between myself and Secretary Brezhnev," Carter said, adding: "My guess though that it will not be in January. We would be ready in January if the Soviets are."

Earlier Sunday Gromyko said "definite progress and advancement" was made in the Geneva talks with Vance.

Speaking on Soviet television after his return to Moscow, Gromyko said progress was made "on a series of questions... even on the majority of questions." But he said "several questions remain which demand additional work." He did not specify them.

He agreed in a televised airport interview with Vance's opinion that the remaining questions should be able to be resolved at a working level "without any sort of special meetings reaffirming their resolve to do whatever is necessary to carry at the ministerial level. "Besides this, we can say both carry to an end preparations for an agreement," he said.

Gromyko said "we would like to believe" Americans will carry through with this resolve."

Gromyko's remarks did not include any reference to the possibility of a Carter-Brezhnev summit in the future.

No casualties

Gunfire in East Beirut draws artillery barrage

BEIRUT, Dec. 25 (R) — Syrian gunners Monday replied with a barrage of artillery shells to the traditional fusillade of automatic weapons fire which heralds Christmas day in east Beirut.

But the shelling, which lasted about an hour, was comparatively light by Beirut standards and there were no reports of casualties or serious damage.

Celebrating gunmen began firing into the air at midnight. About an hour later the Syrian gunners opened up on right-wing positions in the Badaro and Tawhita districts.

Right-wing Phalangist leader Pierre Gemayel later criticised the use of gunfire to celebrate festive occasions.

"We have had enough of explosives and gunfire," he said in an interview quoted by the

BEIRUT, Dec. 25 (A) — Syrian-rightist fighting ended on Oct. 7 with a ceasefire arranged by Lebanese President Elias Sarkis and Syrian head of state Hafez Assad.

Since then, dozens of people have been killed or wounded in ceasefire violations.

But the redeployment of Saudi troops in some positions previously held by Syrians helped to ease tension.

Martial law may be declared in strife-torn Turkish area

ANKARA, Dec. 25 (Agencies) — Turkish government ministers held an emergency cabinet session Monday as the death toll from weekend rioting in the southeastern town of Maras rose to 93.

Premier Bülent Ecevit told reporters during a brief break in the meeting that no decision had yet been taken on whether martial law would be declared. He said the cabinet session would continue into the night.

Turkish radio said Maras was quiet Monday after one of the worst civil disturbances in Turkey this year.

Press reports said the disturbances, which began Saturday, continued Sunday as groups of armed rightists trying to march on government buildings clashed with troops.

Security forces made house-to-house searches in the town Monday. People who deserted their homes during the violence were given temporary accommodation in tents and military barracks.

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EMBASSY ATTACK: Riots set car ablaze outside a sidegate of the American embassy grounds in Tehran during an unsuccessful attempt to storm the building Monday. (Wire photo)

protests seemed to be well in which several people were blown the rioting of Monday. (Continued on back page)

Yamani interview

Kingdom to maintain oil production ceiling

NICOSIA, Dec. 25 (UPI) — Saudi Arabia maintaining its 8.5-million barrels per day production ceiling for oil as an annual average for the year 1979, the "Middle East Economic Survey" Monday quoted Oil Minister Sheikh Ahmad Zaki Yamani as saying.

The new program would still fall short of demands by opposition leaders that the Shah step down. The plan would also leave him the technical right to rule by decree through his ministers, although he would no longer be empowered to nominate those ministers. That power would be held by parliament.

As political contacts continued Monday over the new arrangement, hundreds of anti-Shah demonstrators fought running skirmishes in the streets of Tehran with police and troops struggling to enforce martial law.

The opposition National Front claimed that in a clash on Iranshahr Avenue, about four blocks from the U.S. embassy, three to four protesters were killed. The report could not be independently confirmed, but reporters viewing demonstrations in the area at midday saw two ambulances with sirens pushing their way through snarled traffic.

Soldiers fired into the air to break up groups of protesters. But the level of demo-

Sheikh Ahmad Zaki Yamani order to make the ratio between light and heavy crude exports more consistent with the pattern of reserves and production-export facilities but the present 65:35 ratio will remain as it is for the coming year," the publication said.



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TOTAL DISCHARGED:

(A)	233206	Tons Cargo
(B)	2473	Vehicles in Number
(C)	15000	Head of Livestock

Large groups of militant rightists rampaged through the town Saturday and Sunday, wrecking and burning the homes and business premises of leftists and members of a rival religious sect. The government rushed crack military troops to the town to quell the disturbances.

The semi-official Anatolia News Agency said at least 1,052 persons were hurt in the clashes and local officials in Maras said more persons are missing in the city of 130,000. The city, 70 miles north of the Syrian border, is also known as Kahramanmaraş.

Sources said the troubles started when rightists chanting "death to the Communists" tried to halt the funeral of two slain vocational school teachers, identified as leftists.

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TOTAL DISCHARGED:
(A) 358210 Tons Cargo
(B) 7168 Vehicles in Numbers
(C) 21215 Head of Livestock

Health Ministry bans smoking in hospitals

RIYADH, Dec. 25 (SPA) — Health Minister Dr. Hussein Jazairi gave instruction Monday that smoking be banned in all hospitals, dispensaries, clinics, medical institutes, nursing schools and all health units in Saudi Arabia.

He urged the Health Education Administration to en-

Japanese win desalt contract for new airport

TOKYO, Dec. 25 (R) — Japan's Sumitomo Heavy Industries Limited has won an eight billion yen (\$41 million) order from Saudi Arabia for a desalination plant; it was announced here Monday.

The plant capable of making 35,000 tons of fresh water daily from sea water will be completed early in 1980 for the water supply to the new international airport in the north of Jeddah, which is under construction.

Meanwhile, Prince Muhammad Al-Faisal, who is lending support to a scheme to tow an Antarctic iceberg to the Red Sea, said that final studies will be ready by 1980. "Al-Bilad" reported Monday, quoting "Ad-Yaqnia" of Kuwait.

Prince Muhammad said that by 1982 icebergs should form an important source of drinking water in many parts of the world once the daunting practical problems involved in the scheme have been overcome.

force the campaign against smoking.

Similar instructions were given earlier by the Ministries of Higher Education and Education to all universities, institutes and schools.

The crackdown on smoking in Saudi Arabia comes on the heels of a draft resolution submitted by the Kingdom's delegation to the 31st session of the World Health Organization (WHO) last May. The resolution won a majority.

The draft was based on WHO statistics which indicated that out of 84,000 smokers who contracted lung cancer in 1971, 68,000 died.

The statistics also show that smokers are more vulnerable to heart disease and that women who smoke during pregnancy are more likely to give birth to children with mental or other deficiencies.

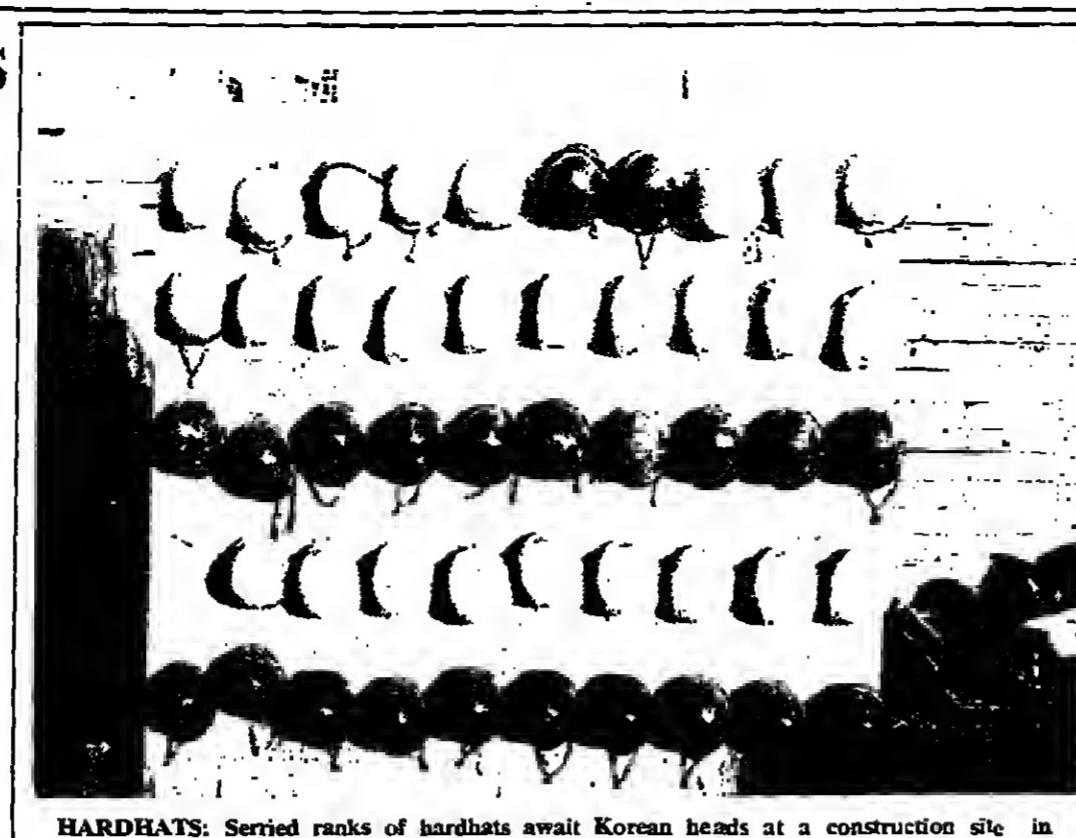
In Jeddah, King Abdul Aziz University announced it is preparing a syllabus for physical education Monday.

The university recently decided to open a department of physical education because of the number of requests for the course.

Minister to chair railroad meeting

DAMMAM, Dec. 25 (SPA) — Minister of Communications Sheikh Hussein Mansour will preside over a meeting of the board of the Saudi Railroad Organization Wednesday.

According to the organization, the board will study the project for a new railroad between Dammam and Riyadh to supplement the 565-kilometer line built 30 years ago.



HARDHATS: Serried ranks of hardhats await Korean heads at a construction site in downtown Jeddah.

SAFCO hits target

Fertilizer plant accord to be signed soon

DAMMAM, Dec. 25 (SPA) —

Republic of China Minister of Economy Chiang Kuan will arrive in the Kingdom at the beginning of January to ratify an agreement for Chinese collaboration in the establishment of a fertilizer

plant at Jubail. SPA has learned.

A letter of intent was sign-

ed recently for a plant at the industrial complex in Jubail,

which will have a productive capacity of 500,000 tons.

Meanwhile, it was announced

Monday that the Dammam plant of the Saudi Arabian Fertilizers Company this year met its target production of

250,000 metric tons of urea

based fertilizers for the first time.

SAFCO produced 250,331

metric tons of urea fertilizer during 1978, an official spokesman of the company said Monday.

He said that this was the first time the company had met its target for production since it began operations in 1971.

Local Briefs

Jizan and Qunuzah to provide an appropriate site for a literacy drive during the winter, rather than in summer. A successful experiment was made in Jizan last winter.

AMBASSADOR'S RESIDENCE: King Abdul Aziz set aside this house on Jeddah's Corniche for the first American ambassador to his Kingdom, William A. Eddy, who served in Jeddah from 1944 to 1946. Eddy was the interpreter at the first meeting of an American president and a Saudi leader. When Franklin Roosevelt met King Abdul Aziz on his way back from the Yalta conference on Feb. 14, 1945, the USS Murphy sailed into Jeddah in great secrecy and took the King to the meeting on the Bitter Lakes.



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3rd World housing drive urged to head off disastrous shortage

By a Staff Reporter

JEDDAH, Dec. 25 — In the next 20 years, the world's housing shortage will reach disastrous proportions if developing countries do not launch a massive housing effort based on an integrated and appropriate systems, the recent housing conference in Dhahran recommended.

The five-day conference of specialists on Housing Problems in the Developing Countries, sponsored by the International Association of Housing Sciences ended at the University of Petroleum and Minerals Friday.

In recommendations released to "Arab News" Monday, the conference noted that during the next two decades man will need to construct more houses than all those built to date.

Goals

If developing countries are to reach their housing goals, mass housing systems will be needed — entailing greater innovation in housing design and building techniques and greater standardization in Third World construction industries.

At the same time, the conference proposed that planners should ensure that local and traditional concepts of housing and living are considered along with modern technology since inappropriate housing is self-defeating.

Planners should also be aware of traditional or non-conventional sources of energy for the manufacture of housing materials, for construction and for heating or cooling in order to slow down consumption of such depletable energy sources as oil or gas.

Developing countries themselves, among which Saudi Arabia counts itself, should also make every effort to use indigenous labor and material.

With an eye to the Kingdom's own experience, the conference also recommended that developing countries encourage aided self-help housing programs for their general populations or at least ensure they have access to suitable housing finance — on the pattern of the Saudi Real Estate Development Fund.

Loans given by the Saudi

Fund have contributed to the construction of 124,000 housing units since 1975, REDF Director General Dr. Ibrahim Al-Muneef said Sunday.

Investment loans have added a further 11,000 housing units so that, in effect, the fund has provided accommodation for about one million persons, he said. Muneef, was one of the keynote speakers at the Dhahran conference.

The Eastern Province branch alone disbursed 11,256 loans worth SR 33.76 billion, Rashid Al-Mawash, director of the branch said Monday.

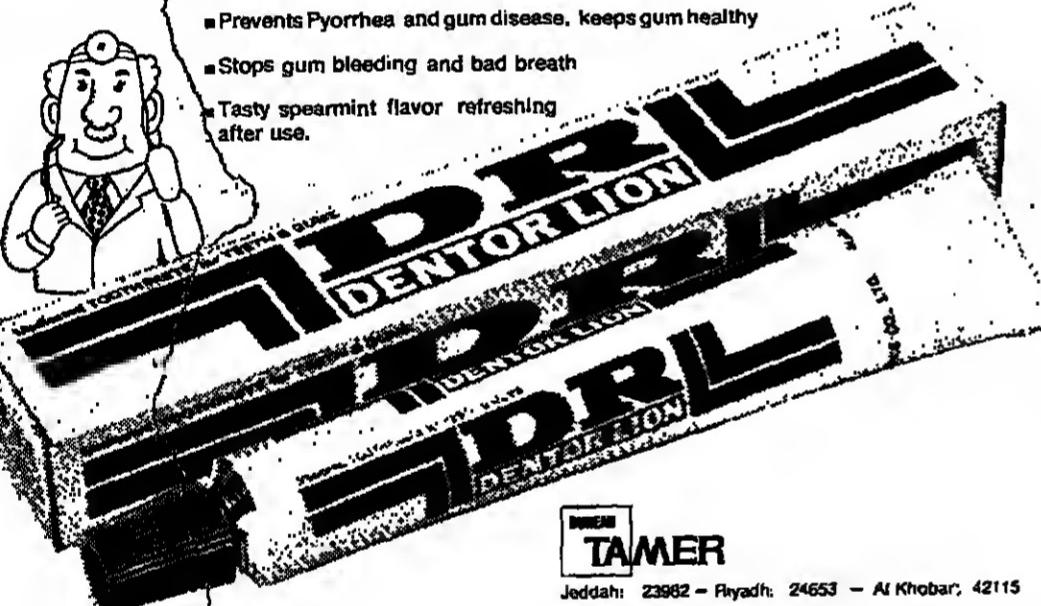
Of these, 4,517 loans were in Dammam and the surrounding areas, 3,150 in Al-Khobar and 3,589 in Qatif. Mawash said.

The fund eventually intends to concentrate on financing large-scale housing and won development schemes.

Khaled sees ulama

RIYADH, Dec. 25 (SPA) — King Khaled received the ulama and sheikhs as is customary every Monday.

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Arafat message asks support for Palestinian cause

DAMASCUS, Dec. 25 (AP) — Palestine Liberation Organization Chairman Yasser Arafat appealed to the Christian world in a Christmas Day message Monday to "support the struggle of the people of Palestine for their legitimate rights."

"The Zionist fascists who are occupying our land have no regard for human values," Arafat added in his message which was broadcast by the

state-run Damascus Radio. Earlier the official PLC spokesman Abdul Mohsen Abu Maizer denied a report by Egyptian Foreign Minister Butros Ghali that there were contacts between Egypt and the PLO about the Egyptian-Israeli peace talks.

"The PLO completely rejects any contact with Egypt just as it rejects the Camp David agreements," Abu Maizer said.

5,000-year-old trade routes

Nuclear reactor tells secrets of Persia

WASHINGTON, Dec. 25 (AP) — A Washington-area chemist is using a nuclear reactor and pieces of glass and clay in an effort to unlock the 5,000-year-old trading secrets of southern Persia.

Dr. James Blackman of suburban Gaithersburg, Maryland, is making the attempt with ancient artifacts from the Middle East and the nuclear reactor at the National Bureau of Standards.

"Much of the work right now is still pretty tentative," Blackman said, but his studies of obsidian—volcanic glass—from Tal-e Malyan and Tepe Yahya in southern Iran confirm findings by others that the material originated in central Turkey and Soviet Armenia.

In addition to obsidian, Blackman is analyzing samples of clay seals from the sites in hopes of learning where the clay originated.

"Clay and ceramics are not as easy to track down," he explained. "We know most of the sources of obsidian, while clays are relatively abundant everywhere and require more samples to get statistically valid information."

Sadat goes home again to mark 60th birthday

CAIRO, Dec. 25 (Agencies) — President Sadat Monday celebrated his 60th birthday at his Nile Delta village of Mit Abu Kom by laying the foundation stone for projects of developing the village.

Sadat has donated the earnings of his book "In Search of Identity," which amounted to \$1 million, and his share in the Nobel Peace Prize, about \$70,000, to finance the projects.

They include building of houses for the villagers with public utilities, clubs and welfare centers.

"Build, build, build, Sadat, we are with you all the way," cheered the crowds of men, women and school children as he laid the foundation stone for a 250-acre model farm.



Yasser Arafat

Dacca rulers woo rivals before vote

DACCA, Bangladesh Dec. 25 (AP) — The government has suspended martial law and promised to release all political prisoners in an effort to prevent opposition parties from boycotting the Jan. 27 parliamentary elections.

The government also said Sunday it would extend the deadline for candidate registration three days to Dec. 30 and ease censorship that accompanied the martial law decree in 1975.

No Details

There was no word on how many prisoners are being held or on when they would be released. The announcement followed apparently successful government efforts to persuade 15 opposition parties to participate in the elections. Opposition party leaders were scheduled to discuss the government decision Monday.

The opposition parties had threatened to boycott the elections unless several demands were met, including an end to martial law and release of prisoners.

Bangladesh, formerly East Pakistan, has been beset by coups since it became independent in 1971, and has had seven presidents since then.

Civilian Rule

President Zia ur Rahman, who became chief martial law administrator in 1976 and president on April 21, 1977, has said he wants to return civilian government to the nation of 79 million located east of India.

His original schedule had called for elections this month. Political activity was banned following the 1975 coup, but under Rahman's administration, the government has been licensing parties.



KAHRAMANMARAS: Armed mobs went on the rampage for two days of sectarian fighting in this southeastern Turkish town. (See story page one.)

Rebels in Eritrea claim to capture 73 Ethiopians

PARIS, Dec. 25 (AP) — sit and Ginda, on the Asmara-Massawa road. It claimed the Eritrean guerrillas captured 150 Soviet-made Kalashnikov submachine guns and other arms.

The EPLF, the largest of the three major Eritrean resistance groups, was three weeks ago forced to withdraw from the northern town of Keren.

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The Middle East

Egypt aide, Soviet envoy view ties

CAIRO, Dec. 25 (R) — Acting Foreign Minister Boutros Ghali has conferred with the Soviet ambassador to Egypt. Foreign ministry officials said the talks dealt with bilateral relations. They declined to elaborate.

S. Yemen delegation in China

HONG KONG, Dec. 25 (R) — Vice-Chairman of the Chinese National People's Congress Tan Chen-jio received a press delegation from the Yemen Arab Republic to Peking Monday. The Yemeni delegation was led by Vice Minister of Information and Culture Hassan Al-Laozi. The New China News Agency said the Chinese leader acquainted his guests about Chinese views on international issues and answered questions. Also present were the deputy editor-in-chief of the "People's Daily" Chin Huan and the Yemeni Ambassador Abdu Othman Muhammad. NOVA

Chinese in Oman to set up embassy

MUSCAT, Dec. 25 (R) — A group of Chinese diplomats have arrived to set up an embassy in Muscat, Radio Oman reported Monday. Oman and the People's Republic of China agreed in May to establish diplomatic relations at ambassadorial level.

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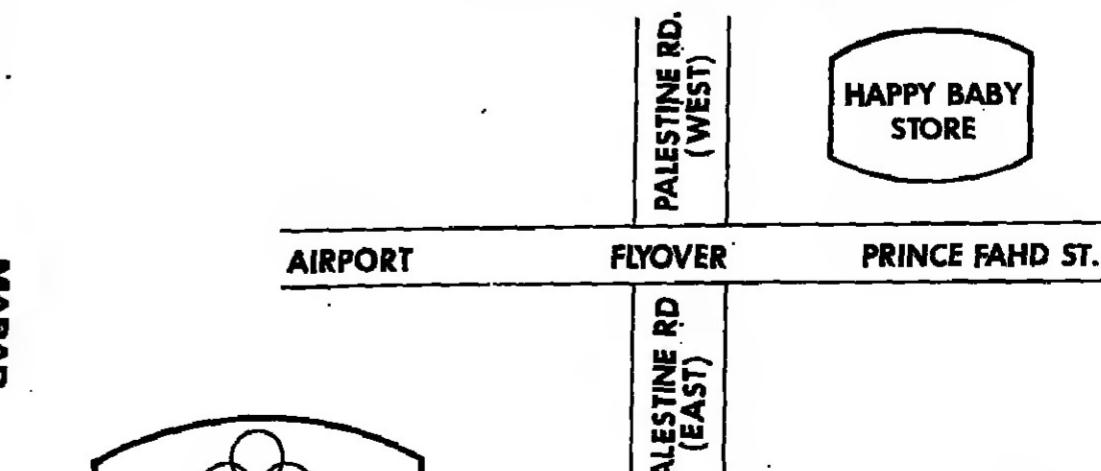
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Oil fire wreaks havoc in Louisiana

SCOTLANDVILLE, La. Dec. 25 (UPI) — Firefighters Monday gave up their hopes of extinguishing the fire in a crude oil storage tank and said the blaze probably would turn itself out by the middle of the week without causing further damage.

An estimated 2,000 persons were evacuated from their homes Christmas Eve after the fire — which started before dawn Sunday and seemed to be contained by evening — escalated and spewed oil and flames hundreds of feet into the air. The residents were allowed to return Monday morning.

C.W. Tullis of Exxon USA, said no further efforts would be made to extinguish the blaze, which sent flames 200 feet into the sky.

He said water to fight the blaze was unavailable in the remote area of the Mississippi

River and since the flaming 3.3 million-gallon tank posed no danger to homes or other tanks, authorities would just let it fizzle out slowly. "I would think it would probably burn today; tomorrow and the next day," Tullis said. "It will probably take about three more days. But there's nothing to be done."

About 150 firemen called to the scene after the fire erupted anew Sunday were sent home. Only one security guard and a lone operator for a fire truck remained. The fire truck was sent by a company which did not own the tank but participated in a mutual aid agreement among chemical plants and refineries along the Mississippi.

The fire destroyed three rural homes near the burning tank and caused four minor injuries.

Several surrounding tanks

that might have been threatened were drained into barges so the fire could not spread to them.

Walter Harwell, an official of Delta Refining, said crude oil was being pumped into the 80,000-barrel tank through a pipeline from Liberty, Mississippi. The tank inexplicably

overfilled and crude oil began spilling onto the ground nearby.

At the same time a house 90 meters from the tank caught fire, Harwell said. He said the flames from the house fire ignited the crude oil spill, traveled back along the standing oil and touched off the tank.

Revolutionary device may benefit diabetics

ROCHESTER, Minn. Dec. 25 (AP) — The Mayo Clinic says it is trying to develop a portable device that would automatically regulate blood sugar levels in diabetics, eliminating their need for daily injections of insulin.

Dr. John Service, head of the research project, said testing of a prototype of the device on volunteers could start as early as the spring of 1980.

"If successful, the new device should eliminate the need for and inconvenience of daily injections of insulin and give diabetics better control of their disorder than was ever possible before," he said. "The hope is that it may also lead to prevention of many of the serious complications of diabetes."

A prototype is being built for testing on lab animals this winter in a study to determine the best way of injecting insulin into the body. The battery-powered device will be

made to clinic specifications by Life Science Instruments of Elkhart, Indiana, a division of Miles Laboratories.

Mayo investigators said self-injection is imprecise and leaves the diabetics' blood sugar level sometimes higher and sometimes lower than normal. Rarely is it just right, they said.

Service, a specialist in endocrinology, said the goal is to design and develop a lightweight portable pump that will automatically administer precise doses of insulin, keeping blood sugar at or near normal levels.

The device will use a tiny computer hooked to a small pump to monitor and continuously control the rate of insulin delivery. It will have programmed into it a number of predetermined insulin delivery rates. The rates will correspond to the amount of carbohydrates contained in a meal.

Former Cuban detainees fly to Venezuelan exile

HAVANA, Dec. 25 (R) — A number of former political prisoners and their families have left Cuba to start new lives in Venezuela as special Christmas flights organized by the Venezuelan government got under way.

They were the first ex-prisoners of the 1,500 whom Venezuela has said it will accept.

The Cuban government said last month that all former political prisoners, who number about 14,000, could leave the country if they wished. It also agreed to free more than 3,000 such prisoners still in jail.

The first 23 ex-prisoners and their 48 relatives left in a Venezuelan DC-9 Air Force plane.

The plane will make further journeys on Monday and Tuesday, when it is expected to carry about another 40 prisoners and some 80 relatives.

Cuba has promised to free a total of 3,000 prisoners jailed for crimes against the state. It said it would do this at a rate of 400 per month.

The United States has promised to accept all of those prisoners who wish to go there.

But Washington has not yet announced its administrative procedures for admitting the prisoners and none is expected to leave before January.

About 125 in the first group of 400 have so far opted to go to the U.S., the sources said.

The releases followed a Dec. 9 signing of an agreement, at an unprecedented meeting between President Fidel Castro and 112 Cuban exiles, to release the political prisoners.

The United States has said it will take all those actually released from jail, but Washington has made no commitment to those former prisoners now allowed to leave Cuba.

The agreement itself provided for the freedom of all but 500 political prisoners in Cuban jails, reunification of families both in Cuba and abroad and a more liberal policy on visits to the island.

Castro has adopted a belligerent attitude to the United States over the releases. After the agreement he said the United States was "recalcitrant" and "making it difficult" for former prisoners to travel to America.

He said many of those prisoners were jailed because they took part in missions against his government sponsored by the Central Intelligence Agency, and therefore that the United States "has as much responsibility with those who have been released as it has with those who are still in prison."

There has been some domestic controversy in the United States over the question of screening the prisoners who are to enter. Attorney-General Griffin Bell has promised stringent screening to weed out all but the genuine, a move criticized as unduly inhumane toward those waiting in line.

Rhodesia guerrillas kill 4 white family members

SALISBURY, Dec. 25 (R) — Black Rhodesian guerrillas have killed four members of a white farming family while they watched films with their workers, military headquarters announced.

A 13-year-old white boy was missing and believed kidnapped during the raid at Shavva, about 700 km northeast of Salisbury Saturday.

The army said the guerrillas killed John Bennett, 60, and his wife, Molly, 62, together with their grandsons Nicholas,



THE SKYLINE: Manhattan's famous skyline is luring more and more visitors from around the world and giving a much needed boost to the city's finances and morale.

Tourism stampede

Manhattan makes a comeback

NEW YORK, Dec. 25 (AP) — New York's crime and grime are no longer frightening away tourists, who are rediscovering the lights of Broadway and other attractions in numbers surpassing 17 million by year's end, an elated New York City convention and visitors bureau said.

The device will use a tiny computer hooked to a small pump to monitor and continuously control the rate of insulin delivery. It will have programmed into it a number of predetermined insulin delivery rates. The rates will correspond to the amount of carbohydrates contained in a meal.

Charles Gillett, bureau president, attributed the boom to the city's theaters, some 30 Broadway shows, museums and restaurants.

He said people view the city with a slightly different eye than years ago when they thought it somewhat fashionable to attribute all the ills of urban society to New York. Now they realize other cities have the same problems in the same scope...

The predicted figures, if met, will tally about 230,000 more visitors than last year and more than a few of them to the holidays.

John Wayne Gacy Jr., 36, who served an 18-month sentence in Iowa in 1967, was arrested last week after a woman told police her 15-year-old son had been seen with Gacy around the time he disappeared Dec. 11.

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Gacy was subsequently charged with murder in the slaying of the youth, Robert Piest of Des Plaines. He is being held without bond.

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Sailors survive gales off Scotland

ABERDEEN, Scotland, Dec. 25 (R) — Twenty seamen were plucked from the North Sea in gales Monday after a Swedish freighter sank and a British coaster ran aground.

Broken Arm

The only reported injury was to the captain of the Swedish freighter, who broke his arm.

The captain had radioed a distress signal Sunday night as the 2,285-ton Alstern developed a 60 degree list about 120 miles off the east coast of Scotland.

Five Hours

The 12-man crew took to lifeboats before being taken on board the British vessel Landy Shore by the light of flares dropped by a Royal Air Force Nimrod reconnaissance plane.

The 700-ton British cargo ship Fendyke ran aground on a sandbank in the estuary of the Firth of Tay, eastern Scotland.

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GOODBYE: Under an agreement signed between President Fidel Castro and his opponents earlier this month, to free 3,000 political prisoners, 23 flew Sunday to Venezuela.

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Chinese rights violations will decline, U.S. says

WASHINGTON, Dec. 25 (Agencies) — The Carter administration discussed with Chinese officials its concern about human rights problems in China before deciding to establish diplomatic relations with Peking, Patricia Derian, assistant secretary of state for human rights, says.

But she said U.S. officials have already seen an improve-

ment in the human rights field in China and expected to see the changes continue.

Miss Derian was asked on "Meet the Press," an NBC television program, how the Carter administration justified its move to establish full diplomatic ties with Peking in view of China's alleged human rights violations.

"I would say that it is no

secret that there have been serious human rights problems in China and that the present government has spoken about it," she said.

"We see quite a bit of movement there and I think it is going to be a very interesting thing to watch," she added.

Asked whether she would support the use of economic pressure by the United States to bring about an improvement in human rights in China, she replied:

"I am certainly not going to outline a potential policy for how we will go about every step of our relationship but I can only assure you that before the normalization was announced we were discussing these matters with the People's Republic of China and it is a part of our foreign policy which is known to every government in the world."

Miss Derian said full diplomatic recognition of the Peking government as the only China will not put the people of Taiwan in jeopardy.

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Soviets warn West on arming Chinese

MOSCOW, Dec. 25 (UPI) — The Soviet Press warned Monday that the arming of China by the West is dangerous for peace and the future of detente.

Pravda said several politically shortsighted forces in the NATO countries are playing a "dangerous game with Peking."

It said Peking wants arms from the West to direct its "expansionism" against the Soviet Union.

"Those in the West who hope to play the 'Chinese card' believe they will manage to direct the spearhead of the Chinese expansionism only to one side — against the Soviet Union," Pravda said.

It called Chinese expansionism "a menace to many peoples."

"The arming of China is dangerous for the cause of peace in the whole world, for the future of detente," Pravda said.

The newspaper said Peking wants to dip into the NATO arsenals and that "certain circles" in the West were failing for Peking's game.

"The flinting with Peking is encouraged in the West by the most reactionary imperialist circles that dislike the process of relaxation to tension..." Pravda said.

Still off Hong Kong

Holiday gifts airlifted to refugee ship

HONG KONG, Dec. 25 (AP) — Biscuits, beverages and cigarettes were airlifted Monday to more than 2,700 Vietnamese refugees on board the 2,290-ton Taiwanese freighter Huey Fong.

The Huey Fong, anchored 1.5 kilometers outside Hong Kong waters since Saturday, was refused permission to enter the colony because its next port of call was not Hong Kong but the southern Taiwanese port city of Kaohsiung.

The government said Royal Air Force helicopters delivered 1,800 kilos of biscuits, 200 bottles of beverages and 200 cartons of cigarettes to the vessel.

Meanwhile a 28-year-old woman suffering from bronchitis was evacuated from the ship helicopter to hospital. Her condition was not known.

She was the sixth refugee evacuated from the freighter. Sunday a mother and her new-born child were airlifted to hospital.

The government said four doctors and 15 auxiliary service staff have now left the ship.

Royal Navy vessel Monday also rushed 2,700 life jackets to the Huey Fong.

The government also said there was information that three Japanese women are on board the Huey Fong, but there was no word how they got on the ship. The identities of the Japanese are not known, he said.

The Japanese consul general said he had not been informed by the Hong Kong

government about the three women.

Sources said the three are in their 20s and all speak English.

Navy helicopters and marine police launches delivered rice,

'Stop provocations'

Peking warns Hanoi of retaliation

HONG KONG, Dec. 25 (Agencies) — China Monday issued a stern warning to Vietnam to stop what it called provocations against China immediately or face retaliation from Chinese troops.

In a strongly worded message to Hanoi, Peking's official "People's Daily" said in an editorial "now the Vietnamese authorities' unscrupulous bullying of China has reached an intolerable point."

The Vietnamese authorities have gone far enough in pursuing their anti-China course. There is a limit to the Chinese people's forbearance and restraint."

"It will not attack unless it is attacked. But if it is attacked, it will certainly counter-attack. China means what it says," the paper declared.

Also Sunday, China lodged a protest with Vietnam against what it called Vietnam's "dispatch of armed personnel to encroach on Chinese territory, killing and wounding nine Chinese militiamen and other people."

China's official Xinhua news agency said a protest note was handed to the Vietnamese Embassy in Peking by the Chinese Foreign Minister.

Victims of 1960s purges honored at Peking rally

TOKYO, Dec. 25 (AP) — A memorial meeting was held in Peking Sunday for Marshal Peng Teh-fuan, former defense minister and vice premier, and former Vice-Premier Tao Chou, Hainan news agency reported.

It was the first words on the death of the two who were among several ranking officials restored Friday after being purged during Mao Tse-tung's Cultural Revolution.

Hainan said Peng was "persecuted by Lin Piao and the 'Gang of Four'" and died in Peking Nov. 29, 1974 at the age of 76. Tao, it said, "died a victim of cruel persecution" on Nov. 30, 1969 at the age of 61.

Their restoration was announced Saturday, as a decision of the 11th Central Committee of the Communist Party of China which held its third plenary session in Peking Dec. 18-22.

Peng joined the Communist Party in April 1928, led the Pingxiang uprising in July that year, took part in the "Long March" of 1934-35 to Yenan, was front-line commander-in-chief of the Red Army after the march, and was deputy

vegetables, tinned meat, fish, water, blankets and medical supplies to the vessel on Saturday.

Authorities said they were still waiting word from the captain whether the ship needed more food or water be-

fore it could depart.

The Hong Kong government later told the captain of the ship and two representatives of the refugees that it would not allow the freighter and the 2,700 Vietnamese refugees to enter the colony.

Defense, shooting dead three invaders.

"In defiance of the Chinese government's repeated warnings, the Vietnamese authorities sent one group of armed personnel after another to encroach on Chinese territory, shooting and bombing at will.

As a result a number of Chinese citizens were killed or wounded. Thereupon, the Chinese government once again lodged a strong protest with the Vietnamese government. The Vietnamese authorities must be held responsible for the consequences arising therefrom," the note concluded.

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The body of Caldwell, 47, a lecturer at London University's School of Oriental and African Studies and well-known in British left-wing circles, lay at Peking's Pao-pao-shan Cemetery, the final resting place of China's revolutionary heroes.

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Cambodia's ambassador to Peking, Pich Cheang, expressed his deep regrets over the in-

jury to his British opposite num-

ber Sir Percy Craddock, while

Dudman said the Cambodians

had obviously been very shaken

by the incident.

The World

15 die as boat sinks south of Manila

MANILA, Dec. 25 (UPI) — Fifteen persons died and another was missing after a boat carrying more than 100 persons capsized Sunday south of Manila, the Philippines news agency reported Monday. The agency said the motorboat Concepcion, carrying passengers from the island of Mindoro to spend Christmas in Batangas City, capsized Sunday afternoon half a mile offshore. Police said most of the drowning victims had occupied the lower deck of the vessel.

Tokyo's \$7.5b plan against quakes

TOKYO, Dec. 25 (R) — A \$7.5 billion plan to protect Tokyo's 12 million people from earthquakes was unveiled Monday. The money will be spent over five years on about 100 projects to reduce quake damage and improve prediction and rescue measures, the capital's metropolitan government said.

Report cult left \$15m in Panama

PANAMA CITY, Dec. 25 (R) — The Peoples Temple sect of the late Jim Jones has about \$15 million in two Swiss bank branches in Panama, the local newspaper "La Republica" has reported. Jones and more than 90 of his followers died in a mass murder-suicide at their settlement in Jonestown, Guyana, last month. There have been various reports, so far unconfirmed, of large amounts of cash held by banks for the California-based sect.

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New Pearl Harbor?

By William Scobie

LOS ANGELES
Remember Pearl Harbor?" ran the caption to a recent newspaper cartoon depicting a Japanese bomber raining television sets, cars and various electrical appliances on California soil.

"We do sometimes feel," sighed a Los Angeles businessman, as the dollar dropped another two yen on Tokyo exchanges, "that we're facing an economic Pearl Harbor here."

The impact of the Japanese invasion is being felt in every corner of the American West today. From mineral and timber-rich Alaska to the orange groves and office towers of San Diego, near the Mexican border, Japan is carving out a vast business empire.

In 1977, Japanese investment in the U.S. was estimated at \$25 billion, with more than a third of that in the five Pacific states — California, Oregon, Washington, Hawaii and Alaska. Together they ran up a trade deficit with Japan of \$3.6 billion — double the 1976 figure. And the 1978 deficit is expected to be higher.

Through West Coast ports flowed nearly one-half of Japan's \$30 billion trade with the U.S. Five out of every 10 Western families watch TV sets marked "made in Japan". One-fourth of all cars on Californian roads are Japanese. In southern California alone nearly 500 Japanese firms — Datsun, Toyota, Sony and Seiko, the YUKI Zipper Co. — have offices of factories, employing some 150,000 Californians and around 10,000 Japanese nationals.

How do the men running California regard the Japanese connection? Until his landslide re-election victory last month, 40-year-old Governor Jerry Brown was enthusiastic. He flew in person to Tokyo to invite corporations there to

Conservative coalition

By Elizabeth Wehr

WASHINGTON — Despite the widely publicized nationwide trend in the right, the conservative congressional coalition of Republicans and southern Democrats lost strength in 1978. A Congressional Quarterly vote study has found.

The conservative voting alliance showed up in fewer congressional roll call votes in 1978 than in 1977. And the coalition won fewer times when it did form.

Its major loss was on the Panama Canal treaties, although that did not fully explain its lower success rate.

But any conclusion that this decline meant a weakening of the national trend to the right was undercut by the fact that several leading liberal opponents of the coalition lost their reelection bids.

The coalition, as used by CQ in analyzing congressional votes, means a voting alliance of a majority of Republicans and southern Democrats against a majority of northern Democrats.

In 1978, the coalition was successful on only 52 per cent of the votes on which it opposed a majority of northern Democrats — a 16 percentage point drop from 1977. And it formed on only 21 per cent of the recorded votes, a five percentage point dropoff from

build more plant in the Golden State. His international trade representative, Richard King, talked warmly of joining "Japan's Pacific Co-Prosperity Sphere" — an odd application of a phrase once used by Japanese militarists to describe their World War II empire.

The aim was a closer alliance with Japan, a move away from economic ties with the eastern U.S. "California's a national market," said King earlier this year. "As the third biggest nation in the Pacific, we don't need to rely on the East any more."

(The other nations are Japan and the U.S. itself. King is referring to California's boast that if it was a nation, it would have the third largest GNP in the Pacific basin.)

But Brown is now being made aware that many West Coast businessmen are less sanguine. "We're moving towards a classic colonial-type situation," argues one Los Angeles banker. "With the soaring yen and the huge trade surplus, the Japanese are buying up U.S. land, timber, foodstuffs — raw materials. In exchange, we're taking manufactured products, luxury items."

A brief inventory gives an idea of Japan's penetration. LA's two newest hotels are Japanese-owned. Sunnitomo Bank, which started out with two California branches, now has 43. All six major shoji — trading companies such as Mitsubishi, C. Itoh, Marubeni — maintain huge office complexes here. Toyota and Honda have their sprawling U.S. headquarters in Los Angeles County. Sunnitomo International has made LA the base for its international sales network, dealing with clients in 68 nations.

The pleasant LA suburb of Gardena is known as "capital of Japanese America" (OFNS)

of political opinion boycotted the elections. SWAPO, the main black nationalist movement, the Namibian National Front (a coalition of other radical black and white groups) and the SWAPO Democrats (a splinter group from SWAPO led by Andreas Shipanga) all denounced the elections and stood aside.

But they still enjoy very large, possibly majority, support in the country.

To all appearances... But the outside world and the United Nations would be making a grave mistake if they took this result on its face value. After a moment's amazement at the result on its face value, After traveling from it all kinds of doubts — doubts about the support Mudge has in the white electorate, doubts about the prospect of fresh elections next year under U.N. supervision.

Partisan war is smouldering away in Ovamboland, the northern region up against the Angolan border where nearly half the population lives. Traveling around Ovamboland last week, I found the war far more extensive than reports filtering to the south suggest.

Every night, shots could be heard in the distance. Every morning brought new reports of death and injury as army vehicles, civilian trucks and buses ran over land mines planted in the red dirt roads overnight by SWAPO guerrillas crossing from Angola. South African Mirage fighters thunder over the countryside only feet above the palm trees.

And the region is swarming with South African troops and police, manning road-blocks, patrolling and searching the villages, escorting convoys with light-armed vehicles.

This is mainly because the U.N. did not supervise the poll (the U.N. has withdrawn South Africa's right to administer the territory). But there are other, more practical reasons for handling this result with scepticism.

The first is that a large block

seeks a just and durable solution for the Middle East problem."

In another commentary "Al-Medina" said the Soviet Union "prefers enhancing its national interests to preserving ideological affinity with others."

Citing Soviet-Syrian relations after Syria's request for more sophisticated arms to match those given to the Israelis by the United States, the paper said "Syria was disappointed with the Soviet reaction to its request, because the Soviets refused to supply modern weapons system and demanded many times the original prices and in cash."

The paper came out with two conclusions:

"The Soviet Union has no wish to see Israel eliminated because that would not serve its interests in the region and to protect its own interests. It

"I'M SURE YOU'VE ALL HEARD THE UNFORTUNATE NEWS ABOUT POOR OLD SANTA"



Vance returns empty handed

By Robert Cullen

WASHINGTON

There is no cheer in the news brought back by U.S. Secretary of State Cyrus Vance from his five-day trip to Geneva and Brussels.

Vance had two objectives. He wanted to conclude negotiations for a new Strategic Arms Limitation Treaty with the Soviet Union, and wanted to arrange a new round of Israeli-Egyptian peace talks.

He got neither. The SALT II treaty slipped away Saturday morning. His three-hour meeting with Israeli Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan and Egyptian Prime Minister Mustapha Khalil ended with only a statement that they would keep in touch about the possibilities for resuming negotiations.

Vance is not speaking about the last minute issues which arose to derail the SALT II agreement. Nor will he speak about why there will not be an Egyptian-Israeli meeting at any definite future time.

In both cases, according to U.S. officials, the problem goes beyond the actual issues in the balance. It centers on whether the countries involved have the political will to con-

clude the agreements.

Moreover, in the SALT situation, some ranking American officials have raised privately the possibility that the Soviets are concerned over the emerging U.S. diplomatic relationship with China.

They noted Soviet leader Leonid Brezhnev's statement last week that "the Soviet Union will most closely follow what the development of American-Chinese relations will be in practice and from this will draw appropriate conclusions."

Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko said Saturday day was satisfied that "both sides are fully determined to complete their work within the shortest possible time."

Gromyko added Sunday in Moscow that "definite progress was made at the talks with Vance on the majority of questions" and said he agreed with Vance that the remaining issues can be resolved "without any sort of special meetings" at the ministerial level.

After Friday's session a news conference was scheduled to announce the results of the meeting and some American officials were saying privately that the two sides had reached what amounted to a tentative

The U.S., Mexico and energy

By J. P. Smith

WASHINGTON

A National Security Council draft study describes Mexico as "the most promising new source" of oil in the 1980s and suggests the president consider a serious upgrading in that country's priority among U.S. foreign policy interests.

The memorandum, designated as presidential review memorandum (PRM) 41, says the United States could view Mexico as a world-wide partner and accord it significant concessions on winter export of farm products as well as quotas for legal immigration of workers to the United States. A copy of the draft was obtained recently by the "Washington Post."

Yet another option outlined in the draft would be for Washington to maintain its traditional view of Mexico as an "emerging power" in the Third World.

Two weeks ago, President Carter said PRM-41 could serve as the basis for his pending negotiations in February in Mexico City with President Jose Lopez Portillo.

For the United States, Mexico represents a major new energy source, presently outside OPEC. Mexico could fill 30 per cent of U.S. import needs by the mid-1980s, thus enhancing security of supply, and more than compensating for the decline of Venezuelan and Canadian supplies," the draft study asserts.

More important, however, the outcome of PRM-41 (as the classified study is known within the foreign policy bureaucracy) could shape a new generation of U.S.-Mexican relations.

A draft of the Mexico PRM sets forth these possible results that could come from a redirection of Washington's policy toward Mexico:

— It could provide an alternative to increased dependence on Arab oil, and access to some of what the CIA estimates could be as much as 10 million barrels of Mexican oil production a day by 1990.

— It could result in a sancti-

cation program for Mexican aliens now immigrating illegally to the United States at the rate of hundreds of thousands a year, a proposal that many U.S. labor leaders view as nothing short of chilling.

— It could result in lowering tariff and other trade barriers to Mexican exports, such as vegetables and textiles, that are vigorously opposed by politically powerful U.S. business interests.

— And it could result in the creation of a special negotiator for Mexican affairs reporting directly to the president or Secretary of State Cyrus Vance, that at least would touch off regional political jealousies.

At the same time, the United States could do nothing about any of these and, as a draft of the PRM says, "follow general U.S. foreign policy directions without according Mexico special or preferential status."

While the details have yet to be worked out the outlines of the administration's options were agreed upon at a recent cabinet-level meeting held in the Situation Room in the basement of the White House's West Wing.

The PRM begins with a statement that Mexico is emerging as "an economic power of strategic value to the United States," adding that Mexico clearly could produce as much oil as Saudi Arabia, the world's leading exporter, does today.

Washington observers are long accustomed to Carter's effusive goodwill and praise about any country or head of state. What is different about Mexico, however, is that senior administration officials say in private that by all indications Carter attaches a high priority to Mexico's emerging oil prowess and to turning around the suspicions and ill will that have marked relations between the two countries over the last 40 years.

Carter, one also is reminded, has been taking private Spanish lessons since moving into the White House.

Elsewhere in the administration, the Mexico PRM has been the focus of cabinet-level haggling, and the bureau-

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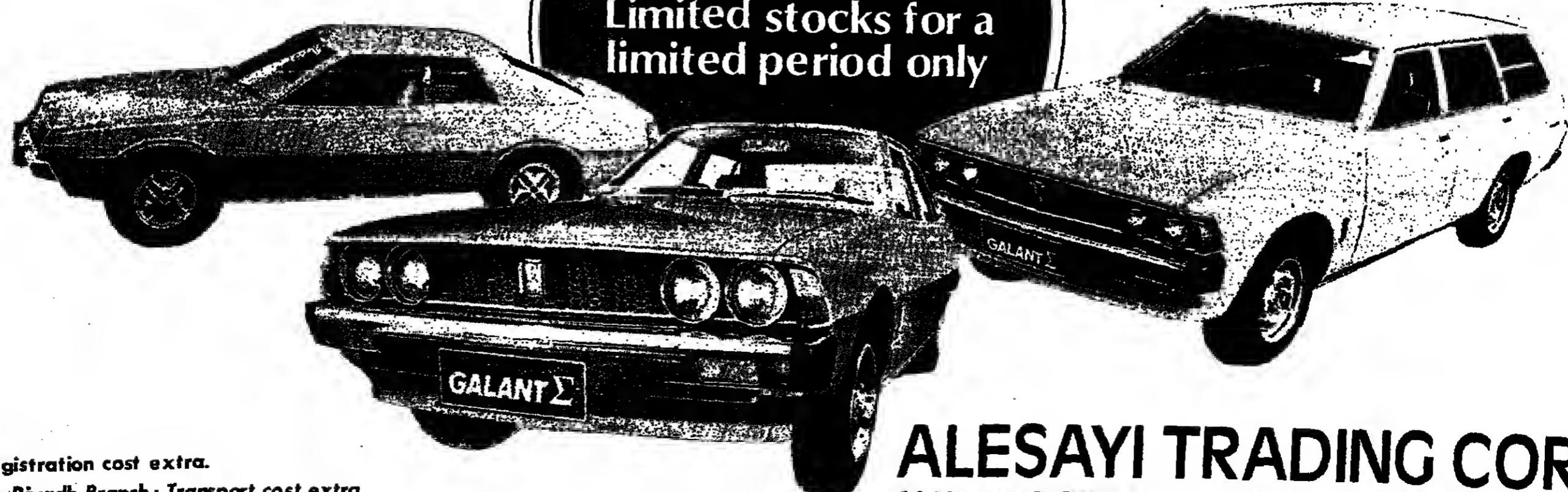
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1978: A year of major political, social developments

By Bill Hartley

LONDON. — This was the year that President Carter made his mark — quietly but firmly — on the international scene despite failures in the United States and frustrations abroad.

The president etched his name and presence in China, the world's most populous nation, and the strife-torn Middle East.

He lit up the record of his first term in office with the long-awaited decision to establish full diplomatic relations with China by unlocking the door to the possibility of bringing to an end bitter antagonism and bloody war between Israel and Egypt.

His failures — notably inability to control inflation and halt the slide of the American dollar — will continue to reverberate well into the coming year.

It was a year of killing and strife, throwing into sharp relief the entire gamut of human capability from breakthroughs in outer space to the ultimate degradation of mass suicide back on earth.

The birth of the first test-tube baby, Louise Brown, in England stood in stark contrast to the carnage in a jungle settlement in Guyana where more than 900 Americans — black and white members of a fringe pseudo-religious commune — obeyed the order of a preacher-politician, Jim Jones, to die by gulping down a cyanide-laced soft drink. The few who refused to obey were shot to death.

Violence cast its shadows and sorrows around the world.

In Southeast Asia, on which peace at last seemed about to settle, conflict escalated and refugees swarmed into the conscience of the world.

In Iran and Nicaragua bitter internal conflict erupted shaking and shocking the rulers.

And in long-time trouble spots — Lebanon, Southern Africa and Northern Ireland — guns, bullets and bombs continued to take their deadly toll of lives and property.

Carter's Record

The year began badly for President Carter, whose low-key approach and insistence on lengthy deliberation left him open to continuous challenges from the U.S. Congress.

The turning point came on April 18. Against powerful and emotional opposition, the president persuaded the Senate to support a treaty that will hand over control of the Panama Canal to Panama by the year 2000. The U.S. has controlled the waterway since 1903.

On May 15, he again imposed his policy on Congress when, despite strong Jewish opposition, the Senate voted for a \$4.8 billion package linking the supply of warplanes to Israel to similar sales to Saudi Arabia and Egypt.

Arabs' Victory

In the summer, both the House and the Senate, including the powerful Greek lobby, removed the U.S. arms embargo on Turkey. The bill, imposed because the Turks used American weapons in their 1974 invasion of Cyprus, reflected an improved, though still highly volatile, state of relations between the two countries.

The president's biggest breakthrough, however, came on Sept. 6 when he began 13 days of intensive talks with Egyptian President Anwar Sadat and Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin at his Camp David retreat in an attempt to end more than 30 years of Middle East conflict.

The three leaders produced two draft agreements which, they said, would set a framework for peace between Egypt and Israel.

The first provided for a withdrawal of Israeli forces from Sinai and the establishment of normal relations between the two countries.

The second proposed a five-year transitional period during which an autonomous authority would be elected in the occupied West Bank and Gaza.

Most of the Arab world immediately rejected the Camp David accord. But, in Israel and Egypt, there was rejoicing when their two leaders, both of whom shared the 1978 Nobel Peace Prize, undertook to sign a peace treaty within three months.

The euphoria died when the Dec. 17 target date passed without a treaty signing. Although the Americans claimed 99 per cent of the treaty articles had been agreed there was deadlock between Tel Aviv and Cairo over the setting of a precise date for West Bank elections in 1979, exchange of ambassadors and other points of interpretation.

Syria, Iraq, Closer

Meanwhile, among the die-hard opponents of Camp David, Syria and Iraq ended more than a decade of bitter hostility by signing a national charter for joint action. It provided for a defense treaty designed to confront Israel with combined military forces totaling almost half-a-million men.

This led to an Arab summit conference in Bagdad a week later which resolved to establish a multi-million dollar fund for a military buildup and to break ties with Egypt once it signed a peace treaty with Israel.

As negotiations between Washington and Tel Aviv and Cairo dragged on turmoil swept other countries in the cockpit region of the Middle East.

Strife in Lebanon

Lebanon, racked by internal strife for 3½ years, rightists and leftists tore savagely at each other. The deadly dispute, which has wrecked the economy, killed and wounded thousands and spread destruction across a land once regarded

as a lively playground, seemed as insoluble as it did a year ago.

Changes in Yemen

The violent deaths of two Yemeni presidents — Ahmad Husain al-Ghashmi and Salem Robaya Ali — within 48 hours in June raised fears of a border war and the prospect of increased Soviet influence and presence at the southern tip of the Arabian Peninsula.

And the shadow of Moscow loomed darker over the northern border of the peninsula with the eruption of mass demonstrations, riots and strikes in Iran demanding the Shah's abdication.

The Shah, a close friend of the West, held on but even his admission of government errors and promises of free elections failed to still the clamor for the end to the Iranian monarchy.

Diplomatic Coup

The year's diplomatic coup came a few days before the end of the year with the joint announcement by President Carter in Washington and Chairman Hua Kuo-feng in Peking that the United States and China would establish full diplomatic relations on Jan. 1.

It touched off anger in Taiwan, angry criticism from right-wing Republicans in the U.S. and deep concern in Moscow. The announcement disclosed that the U.S. had acceded to Peking's unyielding position that Taiwan is an integral part of China.

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Friends' Quarrel

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backed by the Chinese, stopping only 35 miles from the capital, Phnom Penh, before later withdrawing.

Five months later, in June, Peking announced it was ending economic aid to Hanoi, underlining the seriousness of the split between Asia's two highest Communist nations.

In May there was a mass exodus of ethnic Chinese from Vietnam into China after Hanoi announced a tough campaign against black marketeering and hoarding resulting in angry charges by China and Vietnam. In August after hundreds of stranded ethnic Chinese stampeded into China Vietnamese troops were reported to have crossed the border and a month later Peking broke off talks with Hanoi on the issue.

Thousands of ethnic Chinese — pawns in the political power game — took to boats to flee Vietnam across the South China Sea to Malaysia already choked by earlier refugee waves.

Boat People

International consciences stirred uneasily at the plight of the "boat people" and their human tragedy highlighted in November when 200 drowned in heavy seas off the Malaysian coast.

Malaysia refused them sanctuary either on land or in its waters. Some countries agreed to take limited quotas but for thousands of "boat people" there was no haven and little hope for the future.

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kept them out of the campaign. But by the end of the year, a billion dollars worth of Soviet jets, tanks and artillery had driven the Eritrean rebels out of the main towns and back to their bases in the mountainous hinterland.

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After two weeks Amin withdrew his army but by year-end Tanzania was still on a war footing.

The region's problems were eased by relatively high world prices for its major export, coffee. But these had slipped a long way from the heights of last year and the whole region was threatened by a plague of locusts.

In Rhodesia, negotiations between Premier Ian Smith and black nationalist leaders culminated in the March 3 Salisbury Agreement which conceded the principle of majority rule.

But, despite moves to end racial discrimination in the country, the plans of the bi-racial transitional government were hampered by lack of international recognition and the increasing tempo of the guerrilla war waged by the Patriotic Front alliance of Joshua Nkomo and Robert Mugabe.

The war became increasingly bloody throughout the year.

Rhodesian troops launched a series of raids against guerrilla bases in neighboring Zambia and Mozambique. The war moved into Rhodesia's urban areas, once the refuge of the whites, and, in one of the most destructive guerrilla strikes of the conflict, a huge petrol storage depot in the capital, Salisbury, was set ablaze with the loss of millions of gallons of precious fuel.

The target date for independence on Dec. 31 was postponed by Smith to April next year.

Rhodesia's only friend, South Africa, grappled with its own staggering problems.

After pulling out of talks in New York on the future of Namibia, the Johannesburg government agreed on April 26 to United Nations supervised election in the territory.

South Africa then launched a major raid against Namibian guerrillas in Angola. This led U.N. Secretary General Kurt Waldheim to send an envoy to the region who, at the end of his visit, produced detailed proposals for the transfer of power to an independent government after U.N.-supervised elections.

South Africa resisted the U.N. proposals, claiming the original plans had been altered.

A Western foreign ministers' delegation to Pretoria failed to achieve headway and South Africa went ahead in December with its own election in the territory, while saying it would press the new leaders to accept a second U.N.-supervised vote later.

South Africa's ailing Prime Minister John Vorster stepped down in September after 12 years in power to become the country's president. He was succeeded by Defense Minister Pieter Botha, who immediately found himself in the midst of the worst political crisis the ruling National Party had experienced since gaining power in 1948.

The scandal involved the misuse of millions of rand of taxpayers' money by the government's own information department.

Corruption was also at the center of the main development in Latin America where tiny Nicaragua, which had seldom been noticed by the world outside the continent, suddenly erupted into violent revolution.

After an armed insurrection against dictator Anastasio Somoza in September, half-a-dozen cities were held briefly by leftwing Sandinist guerrillas. At least two cities were virtually destroyed by bombing and artillery.

Although the uprising was crushed by the might of Somoza's national guard, the country still hovered on the brink of violence, although hopes rose that a plebiscite

would be held to decide if Somoza should continue in power.

Other less dramatic changes in Latin America included two coups, both bloodless, in Bolivia and elections in Peru, Ecuador, Colombia, Venezuela and the Dominican Republic.

The brightest moment on the continent came when Argentina, itself not without its political problems, hosted and won the World Cup football tournament, the biggest and most lavish sporting event of the year.

Europe Events

Electrical developments also dominated the Iberian peninsula. Spaniards overwhelmingly adopted a new democratic constitution although the result was somewhat marred by poor voter turnout. In Portugal, governments rose and fell and the country's fragile economy was battered.

But for both countries the difficult transition from tough, ruthless dictatorships showed steady progress, marred only by the continuing threat in Spain from Basque terrorists.

Leaders Pass Away

As usual, in 1978, death claimed a number of world figures including a few of the dwindling breed who shaped nations and altered the destinies of men.

Leaders Pass Away

At first it seemed as if the richer members, led by France and West Germany, would join the system and the countries like Britain, Italy and Ireland, would stay out.

Leaders Pass Away

For the British Prime Minister James Callaghan, however, troubles in the Market

were overshadowed by problems at home.

Leaders Pass Away

After pulling back at the last moment from an expected October election, the governing Labor Party tried to pitch its anti-inflation policies through a combination of exhortation

A year of confounded critics, middle-aged heroes and comeback miracles

NEW YORK, Dec. 25 (AP) — If 1977 was the year of the young youth—Steve Cauthen, Tracy Austin, John McEnroe and the like — its successor, was the year of the "over the hill gang" and comeback miracles.

In the year's biggest sports spectacle, the World Cup, it was the old story: the home team won. Argentina, getting two goals from Mario Kempes in an overtime thriller, beat the Netherlands 3-1 to sweep the prize.

Elsewhere in the sports world, age became a negligible factor in the mark of greatness. The odds seemed insurmountable. The dead came alive.

Muhammad Ali was 36—"a battle weary old man" as the critics insisted — went and hammered out a 15-round decision over Leon Spinks, his conqueror seven months earlier, and became the first man in history to win boxing's heavyweight title three times.



SLEEPING GIANT: Ali, 36, with his two daughters at a London hotel this week. Trying vainly to fall them to sleep, Ali fell asleep instead.

Jockey Bill Shoemaker, 47, proved one of the most durable athletes of the generation, boosting his victories to more than 7,500, with 750 stakes triumphs and \$70 million in purse winnings.

South Africa's Gary Player,

at 41, outshot pro golf's mushrooming "young lions" to win his third Masters title, and Jack Nicklaus, 31, having gone more than two years without a major title, captured the British Open for his 15th major crown, giving a sweep of the Grand Slam events — the masters, U.S. and British Opens, and American PGA.

The World Cup produced some of the most colorful crowd scenes in soccer history. Whenever Argentina played, thousands paraded through the streets of Buenos Aires long into the early hours, singing and chanting and waving flags.

Selout

Selout crowds jammed the River Plate stadium in the capital for the semifinals and final. Crowds of around 40,000 watched the games in Mendoza, Cordoba, Mar del Plata and Rosario.

There were many disappointments. The French, surely one of the top teams in the tournament, chose the wrong time to have an off week and didn't make the finals. The Scots also had high hopes, but one of its players was disqualified and the team went home early.

Poland, Germany, Italy, Austria and Holland were the European teams in the finals along with Peru, Brazil and Argentina. Little Tunisia did not make the finals, but surprised a few countries with strong team play.

Holland advanced with a 2-1 victory over Italy. Argentina needed to beat Peru by three goals to qualify, and ended up with a six-goal edge.

In the finals, Argentina proved how valuable the home advantage can be. In three of the past four World Cups, the host has won.

Tennis seesaw

It was a two-woman show in tennis, with Chris Evert and Martina Navratilova taking turns being the world's "best" woman tennis player. Evert took three-months leave early in the season to combat what she called "weariness and growing boredom."

She was not at full form at Wimbledon, where she lost to Navratilova, but she beat the transplanted Czech in the U.S. Open and climaxed the season with two convincing victories over Martina in tournament finals. Again Evert was rated No. 1 at year's end.

Men's tennis also had two pretenders to the throne. Bjorn Borg routed Jimmy Connors for the young Swede's third straight Wimbledon crown, equalling a feat achieved by Fred Perry of Britain 40 years ago. Then Connors, showing his old intensity, crushed Borg in the U.S. Open.

The Dallas Cowboys, led by veteran quarterback Roger Staubach and the 1971 top rookie, running back Tony Dorsett, won the National Football League's Super bowl, beating the Denver Broncos 27-10.

The Montreal Canadiens captured the National Hockey League's Stanley Cup for the third straight year.



TRIPLE MASTER: Gary Player of South Africa and his caddy return in triumph from the 18th hole at the Masters Tournament in Augusta, Georgia after Player had scored his third Masters win.

Despite legal, money mess

Acquitted boxer dead set on return to ring

DENVER, Colorado, Dec. 25 (AP) — Boxer Ray Lyle, acquitted last week of second-degree murder in the death of Vernon Clark, a former member of the boxer's road crew, Clark was shot last New Year's eve at Lyle's home, and the defense argued the shooting was an act of self-defense by Lyle during a struggle between the two men.

"It's like all of this had to happen to me in order for me to get where I'm going," Lyle said. "I'm going to be champion. Whatever it takes, I'll do it."

"I worked all year to get in mental condition for the trial and I'm tapering off from that now," Lyle said the other

day. "Then I can start back to working for the physical condition."

"I've tried to keep my sanity, keep myself together, keep my composure," he said. "Life has its ups and downs. I've been up and I was down."

Lyle, now 36, plans in recent training after the first of the year and would like to concentrate on preparing for a planned major fight later in 1979. But other complications continue to cloud his life.

Last week, he was back in court for a hearing on assault charges brought by his common-law wife, Patti Jordan, who has custody of Lyle's 11-year-old son. The hearing was continued in Jan. 17.

Also last week, a saving and loan company began foreclosure proceedings on Lyle's home to collect payments on a loan.

Lyle admits his financial situation is bleak, but says he hopes to forestall his creditors until he can earn some money fighting.

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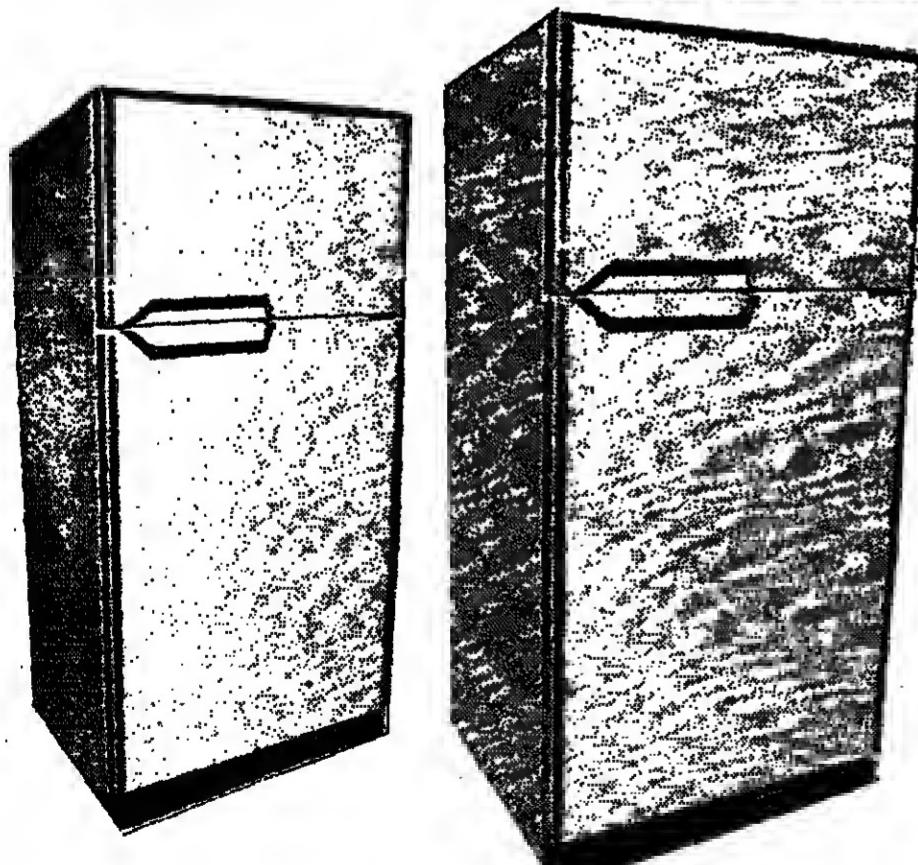
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European soccer roundup

LONDON, Dec. 25 (R) — Results of European weekend First Division soccer matches.

West Germany

1. FC Cologne 1 VFB Stuttgart 2
Hamburger SV 3 Arminia Bielefeld 1
1. FC Nuremberg 1 Borussia Moen'bach 0

At the halfway stage of the season, Kaiserslautern lead the table with 26 points from 17 matches, followed by Hamburger SV with 25, VFB Stuttgart, 24, and Eintracht Frankfurt, 20.

The season resumes on Jan. 13 for all but four clubs which have in play matches postponed earlier in the season.

Ron Weiss Oberhausen beat SC Freiburg, 3-2, on penalties to the third round of the West German Cup after extra time ended without score.

Standings

PL W D L GF GA P
1. FC Kaiserslautern 17 10 6 1 36 20 26

Hamburg SV 17 11 3 3 36 13 25

VFB Stuttgart 17 10 4 3 31 18 24

Eintracht Frankfurt 17 9 2 6 27 24 20

Fortuna Dusseldorf 17 7 4 6 36 27 18

Bayern Munich 17 7 4 6 33 25 18

Schalke 04 17 6 6 5 34 27 18

Portugal

Beira Mar 5 Estrela 1

Academico de Coimbra 1 Sporting 0

Varzim 1 Bravista 0

Spain

PAOK 2 AEK 1

Olympiakos 2 Apollon 1

ANS 3 Yannisa 0

Panionios 2 Ethnikos 1

OPI 2 Larisa 0

Panserraikos 1 Kavala 0

Iriakis 0 Panachaiki 0

Kastoria 2 Egaleo 1

There were no Spanish soccer matches Sunday because of the Christmas holiday.

Greece

Panathinai 2 PAOK 2

Rodos 0 AEK 1

Olympiakos 2 Apollon 1

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Egyptian crude income \$2.2b after OPEC rise

CAIRO, Dec. 25 (AP) — Egypt's income from oil sales will amount to \$2.2 billion a year as a result of the recent price rise agreed at the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries oil ministers meeting in Abu Dhabi, Oil Minister Izzeddin Hilal says.

Addressing parliament, Hilal said that since Israel relinquished some of the oilfields in Sinai Egypt has become a net exporter of crude.

A brief account of his address to parliament was distributed by the Middle East News Agency.

Omani team talks with Cairo aides

MUSCAT, Dec. 25 (R) — Oman's Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries, Petroleum and Mineral Resources Said Ahmad Al-Shenfari conferred here Monday with a delegation from the Egyptian Ministry of Land Reclamation, Radio Oman said.

The delegation, led by the Ministry's Undersecretary Abd El-Hamid Al-Toumi, is visiting Oman to discuss co-operation in land reclamation.

The radio said Toumi extended an invitation from Egyptian minister of Land Reclamation Tewfik Karara to Shafiqi to visit Egypt.

And European solutions

The dollar, inflation: unhappy 1978

By Louis Nevin
LONDON, Dec. 25 (AP) — The steady decline of the American dollar through much of 1978 fed inflation in Western Europe and disrupted foreign trade. Government leaders moved at the year's end to insulate their economies from such currency upheavals.

After months of preparation for what was described as the most important European enterprise Common Market heads of government were inaugurating Jan. 1 a new European Monetary System, although Britain elected to stay out of the grounds that the pound sterling would suffer.

The aim of the EMS is to

fire the greater part of Common Market trade from monetary upheavals outside the community by tying member currencies together while allowing all to float freely as a group in relation to the dollar. Each member will deposit in a central fund 20 per cent of its holdings of gold and foreign currency. The fund of about \$33 billion will be used to help members maintain their currencies within the 2.25 per cent limit they are allowed to vary in relation to the money of other members.

The EMS replaces a previous similar arrangement known commonly as "the Snake." Originally, Britain, Italy and



TANKER: After the slump in the world demand for tankers, many of the larger ships are lying idle across the world.

Worse to come

Too many tankers to go round

By William C. Rempe
NEW YORK, Dec. 25 —

There are too many oil tankers in the world. So many that some owners are paying shipyards millions of dollars to cancel orders placed early in the 1970s—before the surplus.

It reportedly recently cost one American company \$7 million to cancel an order. Some who did not cancel now own hundreds of millions of dollars in idle tankers.

Parts of the Mediterranean

and the fjords of Norway look like tanker graveyards where empty ships lie at anchor, lashed together in neat rows.

Slightly used tankers are selling for little more than their scrap value. A 250,000-deadweight ton ship, built three years ago for about \$60 million, sells for \$12 million. Deadweight tonnage includes the weight of all cargo fuel and stores.

And if these developments aren't bad enough, worse days may lie ahead because of po-

tentially enormous oil reserves discovered in Mexico.

That was the warning to tanker industry planners by Arthur McKenzie, director of the Tanker Advisory Center, during a World Trade Institute tanker seminar here.

"The Mexico discovery is bad news for the tanker industry—just as it is good news for consumers. A lot of people in our industry are going to lose their shirts," McKenzie told the seminar.

"Right now half of all the big ships in the world are surplus," he said.

What makes the Mexico oil discovery so bad for tankers is its proximity to the United States—the world's super-consumer of oil.

The oil fields are close enough to use pipelines rather than ships to transport crude oil and refined products to the U.S.

If optimistic projections of Mexico's oil reserves are correct, it could mean that the U.S. neighbor has twice the oil of Saudi Arabia. Even by conservative estimates, Mexican fields "probably" exceed the Kingdom's reserves McKenzie said.

The Mexican discoveries could not have come at a worse time for the tanker industry, which is suffering the worst depression in its history.

\$49 million loan for Jordanian potash firm

AMMAN, Dec. 25 (R) — Iraq will lend the Arab Potash Company in Jordan 15 million dinars (\$49 million), Iraqi Minister of Commerce Hassan Ali said here Monday.

He said his government had also decided to lend the Jordanian Petrochemicals Company five million dinars (\$16 million).

Ali, who arrived here Sunday, had talks Monday with Jordanian Minister of Industry and Trade Nadimuddin Dajani on increasing trade, establishment of joint projects and directing Iraqi imports to the Jordanian port of Aqaba.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE RATES

	Cash	Transfer
U.S. Dollar	3.35	3.35
Pound Sterling	6.75	6.75
Deutsche Mark (100)	181.00	181.00
Swiss F (100)	204.50	204.50
French F (100)	79.50	79.50
Italian Lira (1000)	4.15	4.05
Lebanese Lira (100)	112.50	113.25
Syrian Lira (100)	81.00	86.15
Egyptian Pound	4.50	4.50
Kuwaiti Dinar	12.30	12.25
Jordanian Dinar	11.40	11.32
Emirates Dirham (100)	82.50	86.80
Qatari Riyal (100)	87.50	86.80
Bahraini Dinar	8.75	8.50
Iranian Riyal (100)	46.00	46.50
Iraqi Dinar	9.85	—
Yemeni Riyal (100)	74.00	73.30
South Yemeni Dinar	—	—
Moroccan Dirham (100)	79.00	86.25
Indian Rupee (100)	—	41.25
Pakistani Rupee (100)	—	34.00
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Authority	Description	No. of Tender	Price SR	Closing Date
* Directorate General of Investigations	Building of an annex to the Directorate's office in Khuzam Palace	xx	1000	Dec. 31
* " "	Technical equipment and machinery	xx	xx	Jan. 7
* " "	Supply and installation of four telephone exchanges at the directorate's branches in Yanbu, Damman, Bahri and Taif	xx	xx	Jan. 14
* Directorate General of Municipal and Rural Affairs, Western Province	Asphalting, paving and lighting of roads in Qunfuzah	xx	200	Jan. 13
* Ministry's Agency for Endowments Affairs	Installation of water meters in the apartments of Jafar Merk building in Shubaika, Mecca	xx	30	Jan. 13
* Directorate of Education, Medina	Supply of educational aids	xx	100	Jan. 20



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NOPAL SEL	ANSCO	VEHICLES	25.12.1978
SILVER EAGLE	S.N.L.	GENERAL	25.12.1978
LEVANTE EXPRESS	A.E.T.	TO LOAD MTYS	24.12.1978
3-Vessels Expected Within 24 Hours	—	—	—
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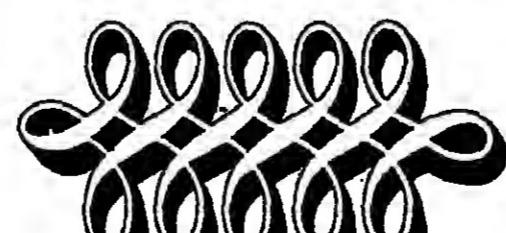
4-TONNAGES DISCHARGED (Freight tons) : 7,126

5-WAITING TIME:NIL

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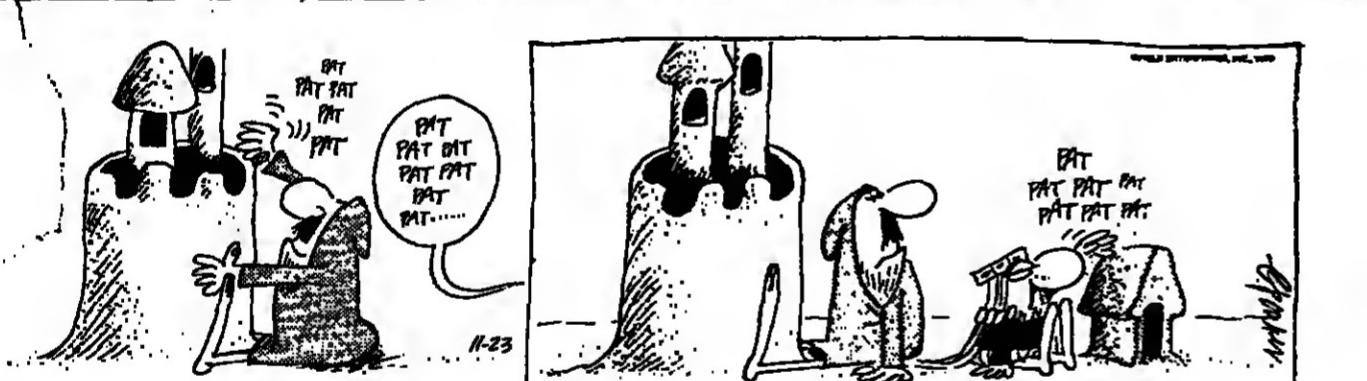
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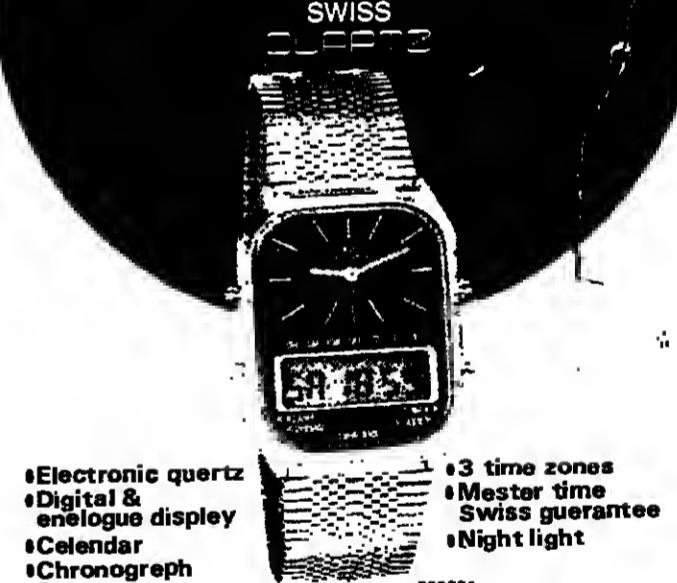
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Transmits for 95 minutes

Russian craft eases to Venus surface

MOSCOW, Dec. 25 (AP) — The Soviet Union soft-landed its second spacecraft in five days Monday on the planet Venus. It transmitted back 95 minutes of scientific information about Earth's nearest neighbor.

The Venus 11 probe worked amid sizzling Venusian temperatures of 446 degrees centigrade, the Soviet news agency Tass reported.

But the latest craft did not radio material back to Earth for as long a period of time as

Venus 12, which soft-landed on the planet Dec. 21 and transmitted information for 110 minutes, making it the most successful Soviet experiment on Venus to date.

A parachute deposited the Venus 11 craft on the planet's surface on a spot about 1,600 miles from the landing site of the Venus 12, Tass said.

While bearing the planet's surface, the Venus 11 probe analyzed the atmosphere. The data was picked up by the

Venus 11 station hovering above the planet and then relayed back to Earth, Tass said.

Tass said the Venus 11 mission was almost identical to the Venus 12 project. Both stations carried plaques with a bas-relief of Lenin. The descent crafts were emblazoned with the U.S.S.R. state symbol showing

the nation's coat of arms. Tass said.

The Soviet landers were designed to transmit data for at least 30 minutes and to photograph the Venusian surface. Tass made no mention that any photographs were retrieved from the Venus 11.

The Venus 12 landing came 12 days after five U.S. sci-

ence capsules plunged into the Venusian atmosphere.

One American probe was designed to burn up in the atmosphere, while four others were to burn up after they struck the surface. In an unexpected development, one U.S. probe managed to survive and transmit measurements on the planet's atmosphere for 67 minutes.



VENUS: One of the first photographs sent back by the U.S. probe of the planet shows Venus moving from day into night. The Soviets Monday successfully soft-landed their second craft on the surface which transmitted for 95 minutes.

73 still missing

Sicilian search goes on

PALERMO, Dec. 25 Sicily Investigators said they hoped (AP) — Frogmen searched to recover the "black box" Monday for more bodies of the victims and the flight recorder of an Alitalia jet that crashed into the sea, broke up and sank off Sicily Saturday.

Officials said 73 bodies were still yet to be recovered from the DC-9 jetliner about 30 meters down on the seabed. Only 21 persons of 129 on board survived the crash just before a night-time landing at Palermo's controversial Punta Raisi Airport.

Many of the victims were Sicilian migrant workers returning for the holiday from the industrial north of Italy or jobs in northern Europe.

The cause of the crash is still unknown. The pilot gave no warning that there was any trouble on board the twin-engine jet. He acknowledged instructions from the control tower to make a slight course adjustment as the plane came in with flaps and undercarriage down, and then radio link went dead.

Struggle

He told the Tanzanian news agency Shabha, "We will wage a relentless struggle until victory is attained. We will find it difficult to accept participation in any future talks on Namibia."

"We strongly believe that the liberation of Namibia will only be achieved through armed struggle no matter how protracted it will be," he added.

A SWAPO war communiqué issued here said: "With the active support of the Namibian masses the people's liberation army of Namibia (PLAN) wiped out over 200 enemy soldiers, pulverized two aged South African combat vehicles between last August and October."



JAILED: Mrs. Indira Gandhi remains in jail for contempt of parliament. Over 120,000 of her supporters have also been imprisoned for protesting her treatment.

Gulf bankers view world scene

MANAMA, Dec. 25 (SPA) — The Governors of Gulf central banks who ended meetings in Baghdad Sunday discussed the effect of financial and monetary upheavals on their countries, Abdulla Seif, director-general of the Bahrain Monetary Agency, said Monday. Speaking his return here, Seif said that they also discussed coordination and cooperation among monetary agencies in the area and exchange of know-how and training. The governors will hold their next meeting in Riyadh in May 1979.

Islamic unit starts session today

JEDDAH, Dec. 25 (SPA) — The fourth session of the Islamic Committee for economic, cultural and social affairs begins at the Organization of Islamic Conference (OIC) here Tuesday. The committee, an offshoot of the OIC, will discuss the world economy, efforts of member states to boost cooperation among the emerging states, exchange of expertise and manpower among themselves and supplies of food in Islamic states. It will also study the establishment of a Center for Historical Research, Arts and Islamic Culture and an Islamic Organization for Science and Technology.

Sunday, Somalia and the OIC signed the general agreement for economic and technical cooperation among Islamic states. It aims at providing the means for economic progress in member states and a high standard of living for their peoples.

Saudi to chair Arab administrators

RIYADH, Dec. 25 (SPA) — The Executive Council of the Arab Administrative Sciences Organization Monday elected Dr. Muhammad Al-Tawil, director of the Institute of Public Administration and the Kingdom's delegate to the council, as its chairman for two years. Dr. Abdullah Baradah, the Moroccan delegate, was elected vice-chairman, and Dr. Abdullah Al-Zobi, the Jordanian delegate, as director-general for four years. The council last Saturday began a meeting attended by delegates from 16 Arab states, and a delegation from the organization.

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Shah

reported killed.

Political sources said Sadqi received the Shah's basic agreement on reducing his power on Dec. 17 and that Sadqi was in contact with the palace again on Monday to work out more details.

Sadqi, a professor of philosophy and sociology at Tehran University and Iranian minister of the interior from 1950-53, was given the green light by the Shah Dec. 17 to form a new government, political sources reported.

But sources close to Sadqi said Monday that efforts to form the government were going extremely slowly. They cited a shortage of relatively young men who have political experience but are untar-

nished by association with previous unpopular administrations.

"If he cannot find the right people, he will give up and there will be no new government at all," an aide to Sadqi said.

The new government arrangement, sources reported, would strictly limit the Shah to the powers laid down for him in the country's 72-year-old constitution.

Monday's demonstrations in Tehran were by scattered groups of youths, many of high school age. Troops fired into the air to disperse demonstrators in downtown business areas near the U.S. embassy and around the Tehran

University complex, closed down by government edict.

The demonstrators burned tires and a city bus, set fires to street intersections and chanted anti-Shah slogans.

The Iranian state radio broadcast warnings Sunday night that any demonstration Monday would be harshly dealt with, and Monday's demonstrators broke and ran quickly when rushed by troops.

At Tehran's largest hospital Monday some 3,000 youths and medical students cheered the leader of political opposition to the Shah, Dr. Karim Sanjabi.

Sanjabi, 74, who was jailed for a month in November, declared in an emotional speech:

Martial

Speculation on whether the government would declare martial law, a move which has been openly opposed by Ecevit until now, was ripe in the capital Monday.

Ecevit Sunday described the violence as "a dark page in Turkish history."

The Maras riots brought the number of people killed in Turkish political violence this year to well over 600.

that "we have to fight for liberty and against colonialism. We will continue until victory."

Soviets Leaving

Earlier Monday, a Russian source in Tehran said an Ilyushin 62 jetliner has flown out of the Gulf city of Abadan with the last group of wives and children of Soviet technicians in Iran.

The Soviet source, who refused to be identified, said the flight was the fourth involving Soviet dependents since violence exploded last month.

Sadat

and Egypt had wedded in Brussels.

The Egyptians had new reservations about proposed self-autonomy in the occupied West Bank-Gaza Strip, "Maariv" said. They no longer spoke about Palestinian self-determination, but demanded that Israel hand over authority to a "Palestinian government" to be set up to the territories instead of the administrative councils agreed to at the Camp David summit.

"Maariv" quoted government sources as saying that, unless the Egyptians withdraw their new demands, the deadlock in the peace process would continue.

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DAR ES SALAAM, Dec. 25 (R) — The Namibian (South-West African) nationalist movement SWAPO said Monday it had killed more than 200 South African soldiers in three months.

SWAPO (South West Africa People's Organization) Secretary for Foreign Relations Peter Mweshiwa accused Western nations of insincerity and double dealing in negotiations for the independence of the South African administered territory.

He told the Tanzanian news agency Shabha, "We will wage a relentless struggle until victory is attained. We will find it difficult to accept participation in any future talks on Namibia."

"We strongly believe that the liberation of Namibia will only be achieved through armed struggle no matter how protracted it will be," he added.

A SWAPO war communiqué issued here said: "With the active support of the Namibian masses the people's liberation army of Namibia (PLAN) wiped out over 200 enemy soldiers, pulverized two aged South African combat vehicles between last August and October."

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